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To whom it may concern:

As a parent in Montgomery County, I have always sought the best possible care for my children, and we have been fortunate to have access to quality healthcare providers in our community. My three sons have been able to receive vaccinations for school, treat broken bones, and get regular check-ups from doctors and practitioners in the area. I know, however, not every parent in our community can do the same, and how difficult it is if you are limited by your lack of insurance or finances.

No parent should have to struggle to get their child the care they need, especially when we are fortunate to live in a county with some of the best providers in the country. That's why I am writing in support of granting funding for Casa Ruben, Inc. to create a pediatric mobile clinic, to serve Montgomery County. Children who cannot access the pediatric care needed will not be set up for long-term health or success, and I believe it benefits our entire community to make sure no child goes without care.

I ask the council to please consider voting in favor of this special amendment to this fiscal year's operating budget.

Sincerely, Eric Pleitez